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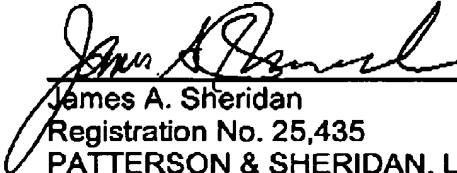
REMARKS

This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated April, 5, 2006. Reconsideration and allowance of the claims is requested,. In that Office Action, claims 30-32 were allowed. Claim 33 was objected to as depending on rejected claim 11 but was indicated to define allowable subject matter.

The remaining claims 1, 2, 11-16, 23-29, and 34-35 are rejected as obvious over Duluk (US 6,288,730) in view of Duluk (US 6,771,264) and further in view of newly cited Mendelson (US 5,996,060). The Examiner further relied on Isard (US 2004/0207623) to reject claim 14, Knittle (US 6,266,733) to reject claims 24 and 35, and Ashbum (US 6,559,852) to reject claim 34. Claim 11 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 as not defining statutory subject matter.

By this response, Applicant has edit claim 11 to remove the issue under 35 U.S.C. 101. Applicant combined claims 11 and 33; since this combination of claims was indicated to define allowable subject matter, claim 11 and the claims which depend thereon should now be allowable. Claims 30-32 have already been indicated to be allowable. The remaining pending claims in this application are hereby cancelled, without prejudice to Applicant's right to resubmit these claims in a continuation application.

Respectfully submitted,



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